

CANADA

PROVINCE DE QUÉBEC
DISTRICT DE MONTRÉAL

DOSSIER R-4008-2017
Phase 1, Étape D

RÉGIE DE L'ÉNERGIE

ACHAT ET VENTE DE GAZ NATUREL
RENOUVELABLE (« GNR ») PAR ÉNERGIR

ÉNERGIR

Demanderesse

-et-

LE REGROUPEMENT SÉ-AQLPA-GIRAM,
CONSTITUÉ PAR :
STRATÉGIES ÉNERGÉTIQUES (S.É.)
L'ASSOCIATION QUÉBÉCOISE DE LUTTE CONTRE
LA POLLUTION ATMOSPHÉRIQUE (AQLPA) ET
LE GROUPE D'INITIATIVES ET DE RECHERCHES
APPLIQUÉES AU MILIEU (GIRAM)

Intervenant

**RÉPONSE DE SÉ-AQLPA-GIRAM
À L'ENGAGEMENT E-1 PRIS EN AUDIENCE LE 22 SEPTEMBRE 2022**

Déposée par le Regroupement SÉ-AQLPA-GIRAM

Le 28 septembre 2022

ENGAGEMENT E-1 PRIS EN AUDIENCE LE 22 SEPTEMBRE 2022 (DEMANDÉ PAR LA FORMATION DE LA RÉGIE) ([NS. A-0409, P. 239](#)) :

« Déposer le document de la demande de Fortis BC à son régulateur. »

RÉPONSE DE SÉ-AQLPA-GIRAM À L'ENGAGEMENT E-1 :

Voici le Document de Fortis BC à son régulateur auquel réfère notre [Mémoire C-SÉ-AQLPA-GIRAM-0200, SÉ-AQLPA-GIRAM-7, Doc. 1](#), aux page 18, 19 et 20 et la page 4 de notre [Présentation C-SÉ-AQLPA-GIRAM-0210, SÉ-AQLPA-GIRAM-7, Doc. 3](#) ainsi que notre présentation orale ([ns. 22 septembre 2022, Pièce A-0409, p. 239](#)) :

FORTIS BC ENERGY INC (FEI), Re British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) Order G-35-21 on Biomethane Energy Recovery Charge (BERC), *Rate Assessment Report - Stage 2 Comprehensive Review and Application for a Revised Renewable Gas Program*, 17 dec. 2021, <https://www.cdn.fortisbc.com/libraries/docs/default-source/about-us-documents/regulatory-affairs-documents/gas-utility/211217-fei-2021-rg-program-comprehensive-review-and-application-ff.pdf> , Page 21 in fine, Page 22, figure 2-5, Page 22, lignes 5 à 20 et Page 23, lignes 1 à 7.

C'est cette référence que l'on doit placer aussi en page 4 de notre [Présentation C-SÉ-AQLPA-GIRAM-0210, SÉ-AQLPA-GIRAM-7, Doc. 3](#), en remplacement de la note infrapaginale 2.

Cet extrait de cette pièce montre le taux élevé de satisfaction des clients participants au programme de Forts BC d'achat volontaire de gaz naturel renouvelable (GNR) à un tarif inférieur au coût d'achat par Fortis de ce même GNR :

*Overall, the feedback and data provided above confirms that the majority of participants are satisfied with the Renewable Gas Program offerings. **Currently there are more than 9,500 customers enrolled in the Renewable Gas Program across various rate classes.**²⁸ While most participants in the program are single-family residential customers, interest from large volume institutional and transportation sector customers has increased since 2017. **These customer classes are seeking low carbon energy options in response to government regulations or their own Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) objectives.** RNG is an attractive energy solution for large volume institutional and NGV [NDLR: Natural Gas Vehicle] customers because it enables emissions reductions and, importantly, because it is easily substituted for conventional gas – meaning it does not require any additional upgrades or investment in capital (i.e., RNG is a “drop in” fuel).*

These customers have also been attracted by the current price of RNG which, while at a premium compared to conventional natural gas, is attractive given the associated GHG emission reductions. Customers who own and/or operate buildings, and who have firm and committed emission reduction targets, have found that the price of RNG is competitive with other energy solutions to achieve these targets.²⁹ NGV customers have found that the current price of RNG attractive³⁰ and these customers can also generate credits under BC's Low Carbon Fuel Standard (BC-LCFS),³¹ which can then be sold in the credit market to generate revenue. Many large volume commercial and transportation sector customers are interested in the program and those who are eligible often express interest in the long term contract offering in order to ensure security of supply as well as a competitive price.

28 RS 1B, RS 2B, RS 3B, RS 5B and RS 11B.29 Appendix B-1.

30 Ibid.

31 Greenhouse Gas Reduction (Renewable and Low Carbon Fuel Requirements) Act and Renewable and Low Carbon Fuel Requirements Regulation, known collectively as British Columbia's Low Carbon Fuel Standard.

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